

The first 100 days of KFOR 12 MNTF-E





Master Sgt. Alan Wimer carries his gear to his assigned barracks after arriving at Camp Atterbury, Ind. For mobilization training. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Michael Hagburg, 116th Public Affairs Detachment.



Spc. Vyron Morkassel gets his protective mask fitted correctly during mobilization training at Camp Atterbury. Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Michael Hagburg, 116th PAD.



A Soldier from 1-144 Maneuver Task Force reacts to simulated contact on their road march during the mobilization stage at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Photo by Sgt. Jordan Huwe, 116th PAD.



Soldiers from 1-144th Maneuver Task Force, A Co., participate in a detainee operations exercise. Spc. Arthur Bueno and Staff Sgt. Terry Delao search Sgt. Carlos Arellano at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer, 116th PAD.



Sgt. Keith L. Lang of the 777th Aviation Support Battalion installs a part on a Blackhawk helicopter. Photo by Sgt 1st Class Michael Hagburg, 116th PAD.



Spc. Andy C. Huisman, Pvt. 1st Class Josh E. Becker, Sgt. Josh R. Bechtle and Sgt. John W. Dietrich practice entering and clearing a simulated house during Military Operations on Urban Terrain (MOUT) training at Camp Atterbury, Ind. Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer, 116th PAD..



Soldiers from the Liaison and Monitoring Team learn movements during close range subject control training at Muscatatuck Urban Training Center in Ind. Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer, 116th PAD.



Spc. Jesse Schuler (far right) and other U.S. Soldiers load ammo into magazines at the firing range after being invited by the Slovenian Army to shoot the FN F2000.

Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



Private 1st Class Matthew B. Soholt fires a non-lethal shotgun round as Spc. Jesse J. Wahl provides protection as the platoon-sized formation simulates neutralizing a riot.
Photo by Spc. Joshua A. Dodds, 116th PAD.

Sgt. Ciciley Littlewolf,
a medic with the
231st Maneuver Task
Force, checks the
vitals of a simulated
casualty while an
instructor looks on.
Photo by Spc. Chris
Erickson, 116th PAD.





Private 1st Class Jordan N. Meier, “Bradley” driver, takes his commands from Staff Sgt. Torrey W. Kassabaum, tank commander, as they move in to position during an exercise at Hohenfels, Germany. Photo by Spc. Joshua A. Dodds, 116th PAD.



Spc . Jay W. C. Sandeen, talks through an interpreter, Ute Hoffman, with a role-player during a scenario in Hohenfels, as Spc. Layton Kessler, both are members of Team 6, records information that may need to be sent to higher command.

Photo by Spc. Joshua A. Dodds, 116th PAD.



Polish troops at Camp Bondsteel march on Nov. 11 in celebration of Polish Independence Day.

Photo by Sgt 1st Class Michael Hagburg, 116th PAD.



Members of Multi-national Task force East participate in a NATO-wide ruck march hosted by the Danish Contingency at Camp Olaf Rye, Kosovo. The DANCON march consisted of 25 kilometers of varied terrain. Photo by Sgt. Jesica Geffre, 116th PAD.



Capt. Gina Jenkins, EOD Commander, observes a crater at the demolition range. The EOD team looks over the area to ensure all explosives detonated during the blast.

Photo by Sgt. Jesica Geffre, 116th PAD.



1st Sgt. William Stockert, B Co. 2-147th Avn., takes an order from a customer at the Waffle House.

Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer, 116th PAD.

Sgt. Alissa Andrus,
141st Maneuver
Enhancement Brigade
Forward, gets jumped
on by her attacker,
Sammie, a military
police working dog.
Photo by Sgt. Jill Fischer,
116th PAD.





Medical personnel from KFOR 11 treat a simulated casualty during the Eastern Rapid Readiness exercise, a joint exercise between KFOR 11 and KFOR 12 conducted in early November. Photo by Sgt. Jesica Geffre, 116th PAD.



The 753rd Co. EOD, sets off unexploded ordnance on EOD Hill.
Photo By Spc. Joshua A. Dodds, 116th PAD.



Spc. Juliet Flynn, a biomedical equipment technician, helps wheel a Soldier with simulated injuries during a medical evacuation exercise on Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo. The practice scenario had been part of a Mass Causality Exercise to help both the aviation and hospital medical teams work together to hone their skills. Photo by Joshua A. Dodds, 116th PAD.



Units of KFOR 12, MNTF-E salute during the Transfer-of-Authority (TOA) ceremony held at Camp Bondsteel.
Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



Brig. Gen. Al Dohrmann, commanding general of MNTF-E and Command Sgt. Maj. Jack Cripe unfurl the 141 Maneuver Enhancement Brigade colors during the TOA ceremony. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



1st Lt. Jay Sheldon
rounds the corner
of a 5K fun run
Thanksgiving
morning. The run
was one of many
activities held to
celebrate the
holiday. Photo by
Spc. Chris Erickson,
116th PAD.



Lt. Col. Lee Nordin, commander of the 231st MTF, serves turkey dinner to the troops at one of two chow halls on Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



Spc. Shawn Derby, a Soldier with the 231st Maneuver Task Force, gets ready to juke past a defender during the flag football championship game held Thanksgiving Day.
Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



Pilots and crew chiefs with Bravo Co., Task Force Aviation, conduct pre-flight inspections before their flights for the day.
Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.

Spc. Brien McCrea
inspects the tail
rotor for any
damage during the
pre-flight
inspection. Photo
by Spc. Chris
Erickson, 116th PAD.





Lt. Randy Fuss, with
the 231st Bravo
Company, 3rd platoon,
steadies the neck of an
“injured” soldier
during ground QRF
validation. Photo by
Spc. Drew Balstad,
116th PAD.

A soldier with the 231st
Bravo Company, 3rd
platoon, guards a
downed UH-60
Blackhawk during an air
QRF validation exercise.
Photo by Spc. Drew
Balstad, 116th PAD.





Soldiers with 2nd and 3rd Platoon, Charlie Co., 231st MTF hold back “rioters” during crowd riot control training held recently with the French, Swiss, Austrian, Irish and Slovakian armies. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



French soldiers hold steady in the face of “rioters” during recent crowd riot control training. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



An Irish army “rioter” kicks a “tear gas” canister during CRC training. The gas was one of the non-lethal methods the armies use to break up riots. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.



“Rioters” watch as an old vehicle burns during CRC training. Unruly crowds and burning vehicles were just two techniques used to make the training more realistic. Photo by Spc. Chris Erickson, 116th PAD.

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